



# Area XIV FFA Constitution

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## Article I – Name and Purpose

Section A. The name of this organization shall be Area XIV of the Missouri FFA Association. However, the letters “FFA” and / or “Future Farmers of America” may be officially used to designate the organization, its units or members.

Section B. The purposes for which this association is formed are as follows:

1. To form a bond to further brotherhood and cooperation among the members of the FFA chapters of this area so they may work together for the betterment of all.
2. To provide additional leadership training for the members of this area.
3. To coordinate the activities of the chapters of Area XIV.
4. To have officers and delegates assist at area contests.
5. To set precedence of the selection of a State Officer from this area.

## Article II – Organization

Section A. Area XIV of the Missouri FFA Association is composed of the chapters set forth by the Missouri FFA Constitution in accordance with Article VII, Section B.

Section B. This association accepts in full the provisions and by-laws of the Missouri Association of FFA as well as those of the national organization of Future Farmers of America.

## Article III – Membership

Section A. Each chapter that does not have an Area officer should designate (2) Area Representative/delegates to attend each regular business meeting. This Representative/delegate should be determined by the chapter and their name sent to the Area Secretary prior to the start of each meeting.

1. Association membership as a group may invite other members and guests of the local chapters to meetings.
2. Only the elected delegates and officers may vote on business brought before the association.

Section B. The Executive Committee will consist of the nine Area Officers.

## Article VI – Emblems

Section A. The emblem of this organization shall be that emblem of the FFA.

Section B. Emblems used by members of this organization shall be uniform and those designated by the national organization of FFA.

## Article V – Officers

Section A. The officers of Area 11 shall be as follows:

President  
Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Reporter  
Sentinel  
Parliamentarian  
Chaplain  
Historian

The local Advisors from the chapters of the President and Secretary shall be the Area FFA Advisors.

Section B. Officers shall be elected at the April meeting of Area XIV FFA by a majority vote of the delegates present. New officers shall be installed at the Area XIV Banquet, unless specified by the Executive Committee.

Section C. The Executive Committee shall have full power to act as necessary for the organization in accordance with actions taken at organization meetings and various regulation adopted from time to time.

Section D. Attendance at Executive Committee activities can be required by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Section E. The number of area officer candidates shall be limited to two (2) per active chapter in Area XIV.

## Article VI – Meetings

Section A. Regular organization meetings shall be held during the school year at such time and place as is designed by the Executive Committee. Once per month special meetings may be called at any time by the President.

Section B. A majority of the active chapters must be present to transact business. A majority of the officers must be present at Executive Committee meetings to transact business.

#### Article VII – Dues

Section A. Area dues in this organization shall be fixed at \$10 per advisor and ten cents per member based on the previous year's enrollment.

Section B. Only these chapters who have paid their dues prior to area contests shall be considered active chapters and only these chapters may enter into Area contests and activities.

#### Article VIII – Amendments

Section A. Amendments may be made as in the state constitution.

#### Article VIII – State Officer

Section A. The state officer selection shall be based on the areas of FFA participation, leadership abilities, SAE and a personal interview. Participation, leadership and SAE shall be scored by the current state degree application. Selection shall be based on a spreadsheet system with the following components being scored at a %: Participation/Leadership 25%, SAE 25%, Personal Interview 50%.

Section B. The interviewing committee shall consist of (3) State Officers, excluding the Area XIV State officer, and two (2) or more adults from outside the area chosen by the area executive committee. (Examples: ag teachers, former ag teachers, business persons.)

Section C. The area advisor shall be present in the holding room with the state officer candidates. In addition, an ex-officio non-voting area XIV teacher without a state officer candidate shall observe the interview process.

Section D. All candidates running for a State office shall fill out the state officer application and attach the leadership and SAE pages of the state degree application prior to the beginning of interviews.